Substitute for PTO-1390 (Rev. 07-2005) "Transmittal Letter to the United States Approved for use through 3/31/2007. OMB 0651-0021 ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER U. S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ITR0041P TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/EP2004/011683 15 October 2004 24 October 2003 TITLE OF INVENTION ORTHOGONAL GENE SWITCHES APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Gennaro Ciliberto, Raffaele De Francesco, Daniela Fattori, Paola Gallinari, Olaf D. Kinzel, Uwe Koch, Ester Muraglia, Carlo Toniatti, Riccardo Cortese and Armin Lahm Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371(f)]. The submission must 3. include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (PCT Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)] a. I is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. X has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]. a. is attached hereto b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)]. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)].

Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. A preliminary amendment. 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. A substitute specification. 16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 18. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C.154(d)(4).

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